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In re the application of  
McLAUGHLIN, et al

Examiner: Unassigned

Art Unit: 2133

Serial No. 10/057,774

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For: ADVANCED FORWARD  
ERROR CORRECTION

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT A

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination of the application on the merits, please amend the application as follows:

Please add the following heading and paragraphs on page 1, inserted before the heading  
"Background" on page 1 at line 3:

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**CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This application claims priority to U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/304,717  
entitled ADVANCED FORWARD ERROR CORRECTION AND ITERATIVE SOFT  
DECODING, filed July 10, 2001, which is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes.

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This invention was made with United States Government support by the U. S.  
Department of Commerce through the NSIC/MORE program under cooperative agreement  
number 70NANB7H3054. The United States Government has certain rights in this invention.

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Previously Paid For	Present Extra	SMALL ENTITY RATE FEE	OR	LARGE ENTITY RATE FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS _____	_____	_____	X9 = \$	OR	X18 = \$
INDEP CLAIMS _____	_____	_____	X42 = \$	OR	X84 = \$
			\$140		\$280
[ ] Multiple Dependent Claim Present and Fee Not Previously Paid			\$ _____		\$ 0
		TOTAL			



Applicant(s) hereby petition for a \_\_\_\_\_ month(s) extension of time to respond  
to the outstanding Office Action.

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Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 50-0685.

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If the required fees are missing or any additional fees are required during the pendency of the subject application, please charge such fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0685 ( CALMP044).

Respectfully submitted,  
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